tumult in such sort that, if special care had not been taken, the English merchants there had been in danger of the loss of their goods and lives Whereupon for satisfaction of the merchants, order was given that such other prize goods as should be brought in *by* the malefactors and their ships should be stayed and the monies made thereof converted to the satisfaction of the damnified merchants After this the *Tiger* brought into Plymoutn a Spanish carvel laden with ginger, sugar, hides, and some pearl, which *by* order of the Lord Admiral was seized and Mr Leeman appointed to repair to Plymouth with a sergeant-at-arms and letters of assistance from the Council This was done, but the merchants that were spoiled received not above 2s in the pound towards their losses Since which time Holliday, in contempt of these proceedings, hath commenced an action of *trouver* against Mr Leeman for the same goods, and by the deposition of some of the manners, that then stood indicted for piracy and since are condemned to die, a verdict was passed against Leeman for mosj part of the goods The Council have now written to the Lord Chief Justice to take order in this matter.

A FRAY IN ST MARTIN'S

This afternoon in the parish of St MartmVm-the- Fields two men, called Langton and Pinkney, exchanged insulting -words and began to fight, Langton with a staff, and Pinkney with a rapier until Langton received a mortal wound in the upper part of his right arm and died of it a quarter of an hour after

iyb April Two LADIES-IN-WAITING PUNISHED

The Queen hath of late used the fair Mistress Bridges with words and blows of anger, and she with Mistress

Russell were put out of the Coffer Chambers They lay three nights at the Lady Stafford's, but are now returned again to their wonted waiting The cause of their displeasure is said to be their taking of physic, and one day going privately through the Privy Galleries to see the playing at *ballon* Some days since the Earl of Essex kept his chamber three days with a great heat in the mouth which happened by overmuch exercise at *ballon.*